

Remarks**Status of the case**

The undersigned spoke with Examiner Ho on April 4, 2008. During that telephone call, Examiner Ho asked the undersigned to submit a paper restating the claim amendments and remarks set forth in the supplemental response filed on June 7, 2007. To clarify the record, applicants provide a summary of events below.

On June 7, 2007, applicants' attorneys spoke with Examiner Ho regarding amending the claims pending at that time. Applicants' attorneys faxed a Supplemental Response to Examiner Ho, which presented the amendments and remarks restated herein. Examiner Ho stated he would enter the amendments and perform a further search.

On June 18, 2007, a non-final rejection was issued, which stated:

The amendment after Final has overcome the 35 U.S.C. 103(a) rejections, therefore, the finality of the last final action is withdrawn. Due to the new found reference of Thro et al. (US 6,879,584), an office action will be issued later.

As this office action did not set forth a rejection, applicants understood that they had no obligation to respond to the office action. Thus, applicants awaited the further office action.

On January 29, 2008, the undersigned spoke with Examiner Grasty regarding the status of the case. Examiner Grasty asked if applicants intended to abandon the case, as a response to the office action dated June 18, 2007, had not been received by The Office. The undersigned explained that applicants were awaiting the further office action and confirmed that applicants did not wish to abandon the case. Examiner Grasty reviewed the office action dated June 18, 2007, stated that nothing was due from applicants at that time, and that the case would be forwarded to the appropriate examiner.

On March 5, 2008, the undersigned spoke with Examiner Ho regarding the status of the case. Examiner Ho stated that he would issue another office action. Since that time, Examiner Ho has informed the undersigned that he has submitted an office action to be issued, but that The Office refuses to transmit the office action until applicants respond to the outstanding office action dated June 18, 2007.

Thus, applicants submit this paper to comply with Examiner Ho's request and to enable The Office to transmit the office action that has been recently prepared.

Restatement of the content of the Supplemental Response dated June 7, 2007

The following restates the content of the remarks submitted in the Supplemental Response dated June 7, 2007:

The claims presented above are submitted with the understanding that the claim amendments in the response transmitted on June 1, 2007, have been entered. Claims 1, 5, 7-16, 19-21, and 23 had been presented. Applicants have amended claim 7 and have cancelled claim 23. After the amendments and cancellations, claims 1, 5, 7-16, and 19-21 are pending. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration.

Telephonic Interview of June 7, 2007

Applicants thank the Examiner for the telephonic interview conducted on June 7, 2007. During this interview, Applicants and the Examiner discussed claim 7 and dependent claim 23.

Applicants agreed to incorporate the limitations of dependent claim 23 into claim 7 and to incorporate a limitation directed to the wireless device relating access information to the WLAN as provided in the amended claim set above. Applicants have made these amendments.

All claims should now be in condition for allowance, and accordingly a notice of allowance is respectfully requested. If there are any remaining issues, the examiner is urged to contact applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully request The Office issue a Notice of Allowance or an Office Action to which applicants can respond.

Applicants submit that no fee is due at this time. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with this submission, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

In the event that an extension of time is required, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of which is required to make this response timely, and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such, to deposit account number 08-0219.

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